

Seed vessels placed in dots on the under margin of the lobes, tab. fig. 2d; at first of a whitish colour, and distinct; when ripe, they burst, turn brown, flow together, and cover the whole disk of the lobe, except the middle nerve, fig. 3. From this last circumstance, the plant was formerly taken for an *Acrostichum*; see *Lin. Sp. Pl.* 1528. No. 25.

The young roots are barren, the leaves arising from them are six or eight inches high, all the parts fewer, their substance thin, light, tender and delicate, fig. 1. In this state it is accurately described by the ingenious John Goodyer; see *Ger. Em.* p. 1135.

Marsh Polipody grows in moist marshy grounds about the borders of moors, woods and rivulets. It grows at the bottom of a little wood near the rivulet directly below the cottages in Birks-lane, half a mile from Halifax; in the top of a four field under North Dean Wood, Norland; and about Cob Clough near Ripponden plentifully.

I suspect the *Polipodium fragrans* of Mr. Hudson to be a variety of this plant, where the seeds, accidentally taking root on rocks, produce small plants having the parts crowded. Linnæus's description of the *Polipodium fragrans*, see *Mantissa*, 2, 307, agrees with *Polipodium thelypteris* in every thing but magnitude. If *Polipodium fragrans* is a real species, I shall be thankful to any one who will communicate a fair specimen, or give hints of information concerning it.

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